

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsider and allowance of this application in view of the following comments.

The sole substantive issue for consideration is the holding that the reissue oath/declaration is defective. According to the Examiner, the reissue oath/declaration does not set forth a specific error being corrected in this reissue application. In response, Applicants submit new reissue declarations alleging the following specific errors:

The present reissue application is filed to correct two errors: First, patent claim 9 is improperly dependent on patent claim 8. Patent claim 8 requires "a compound according to claim 1." Patent claim 1, in turn, limits such compound to those wherein "A represents an ethylene group which may be substituted by methyl." Patent claim 9 recites two tetrahydropyrimidine compounds and one tetrahydrothiazine compound, which would correspond to compounds of patent claim 1 wherein A represents a propylene group. Since patent claim 1 does not permit A to represent a propylene group, patent claim 9 is improperly dependent on patent claim 8.

Second, the USPTO has determined that patent claims contain multiple independent and distinct inventions, and has required restriction.

The present reissue application corrects these two errors as follows: The patent claims have been limited to pyrrolidine compounds by amending original claim 1 to cancel values of X other than CH-R<sup>3</sup>, and canceling original patent claims 2-6 and 9.

Applicants submit that these errors are specific, and overcome the finding that the reissue oath/declaration is defective.

Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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